

# Road Maintenance and Renewals Contract

**MONTHLY REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2024**

**FAR NORTH DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**CONTRACT 7/18/101**

*Marlow Road*





# 1. SUMMARY

September was a good, steady, warm uneventful month in the Far North. We experienced warm spring conditions with low rain fall leading to very few emergency events.

Our September claim came in at approximately \$1.38 Million dollars. This work consisted of mainly drainage, heavy metalling on our unsealed network and the start of our pre-seal repair works.

The signs crew have completed the local speed limit reductions on our network and have now moved onto other parts of the Far North District.

Our pavement crew have been working hard on the unsealed network carrying out wearing courses on eight different Roads. This application provides a fresh, durable surface layer, improving both the structural integrity and surface quality of these roads, and contributing to safer and more reliable driving conditions. As we approach the construction season, our pavement crew is preparing to transition back to sealed road rehabilitations.

We began our pre-seal repair programme in September. Such repairs included edge breaks and high and low shoulders. We also started our stabilised patches with the hoe making a start on the last day of the month.

The sealing crew got their bitumen sprayer back with a new certification and completed their first sealing job of the season on the last day of the September. The crew is pleased to be back together and looking forward to a busy upcoming season.

As normal, both our sealed and unsealed patrol vehicles have been frantically covering the network to ensure the roads are safe and clear from debris.

Be sure to check out the new category “Our People” in section 23 of this report where I will be showcasing each of our teams over the coming months. This month features our Sealed Patrol crew.

Nga Mihi

Rob Savage





## 2. WORK PROGRAMME

A total of 3,344 individual work items were completed throughout the month of September, of which 2,482 were routine find and fix issues, 790 were programmed works, 55 renewals/capital projects, and 17 were callouts or emergency response works.

October 2024 forward works programme has been submitted in RAMM.

## 3. ROUTINE INSPECTION REPORT

Our 3 inspectors have been working through routinely scheduled Drainage inspections without any delay.

### **Sealed:**

There are currently 0 sealed inspections running overdue. 215 were completed, of which 22 have been audited by the FNDC team.

### **Unsealed:**

There are 0 un-sealed inspections that were completed late. 181 were completed, of which 12 have been audited by the FNDC team.

### **Drainage**

There are currently 0 drainage inspections running overdue. 10 were completed, of which 1 has been audited by the FNDC team.

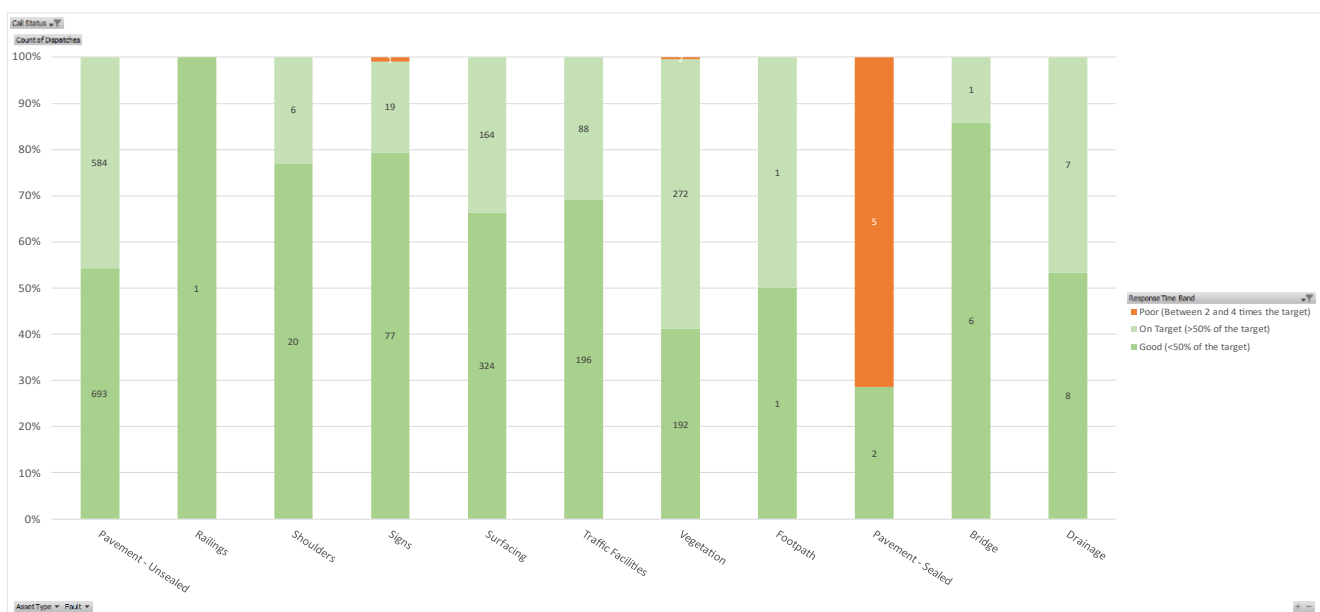
Network Area Inspection	
South Area – September 24	
Week 1	292.3 km
Week 2	302.0 km
Week 3	285.4 km
Week 4	290.9 km
Total KM	1,170.6 km



## 4. ROUTINE WORKS COMPLETED

Routine maintenance activities completed in September:

- 99 sealed potholes repaired
- 672 unsealed potholes repaired
- 69.5km of unsealed roads graded equating to 8.9% of the total unsealed network
- 518 Catchpit entrances cleared
- 5.5km of roadside vegetation cut back



*Routine Response Time tracking (for one day) Yellow is next day completion, Green on track*





## 5. EMERGENCY WORKS



We got off very lightly in September with weather events. Some minor slips, and trees and not much else. 😊



*Te Ahu Ahu Road / Russell Whakapara Road*

## 6. DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE & RENEWALS

Drainage maintenance activities completed in September:

- 151m of heavy water tabling
- 35m of Culvert pipes replaced/new
- 187 Culvert inlet/outlets cleared
- 16 Headwalls constructed

Ray's team completed culvert renewals on Waikare Road, Callaghans Road, Pipiwai Road, Tipene Road, Waikare Valley Road and Orakau Road. They'll replace a few more lines in Otaua and then get stuck in to the pre-seal repairs.





*Waikare Road / Waikare Valley Road*

## 7. FOOTPATH MAINTENANCE/RENEWALS

Mike's team have had a varied month installing headwalls, completing pre-seal repairs and building retaining structures. They will be busy for the next few months assisting with the patching round and any concreting jobs in the vicinity. We are yet to carry out any footpath renewals this season.





*Redcliffs Road / Renwick side Road*

## 8. ROAD FURNITURE ACTIVITY

- 41 new signs installed or replaced (damaged or missing)
- 2 signposts replaced/new
- 21 signs re-erected or straightened
- 36 signs/posts cleaned
- 12 post painted
- 263 Edge marker/delineators replaced or straightened



## 9. ORDERED WORKS

Ordered works were carried out:

- 373m of footpath vegetation cutback

## 10. UNSEALED NETWORK

The following roads received a wearing course:

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|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| ➤ Mangapupu Road  | ➤ Settlement Road  | ➤ Ludbrooks Road |
| ➤ Waimatenui Road | ➤ Rata Tipene Road | ➤ Marlow Road    |
| ➤ Mill Road       | ➤ Waiare Road      |                  |

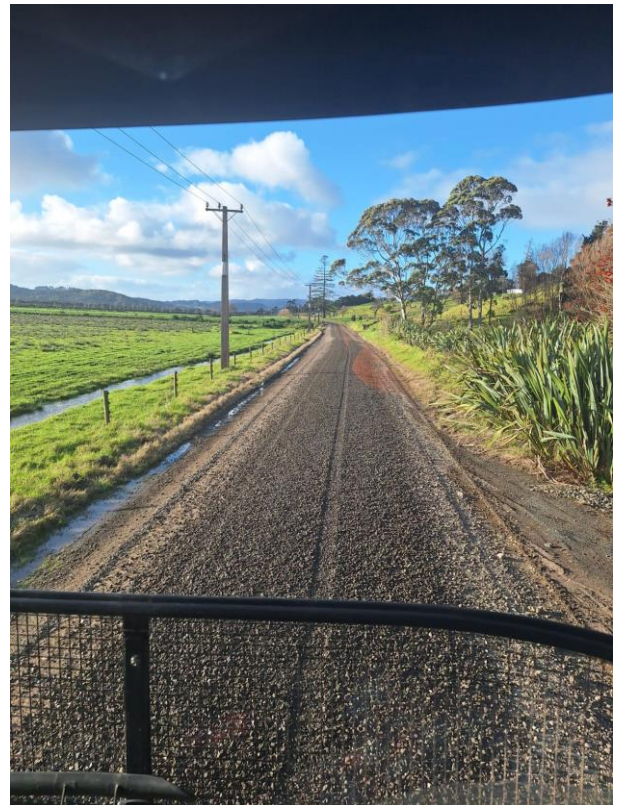


*Mill Road / Marlow Road*



Maintenance metal (running course) was put on 35 roads in September including:

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|-------------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| ➤ Cherrington Road      | ➤ Curtis Road    | ➤ Graham Road        |
| ➤ Henare Road           | ➤ Horahora Road  | ➤ Inkster Road       |
| ➤ Karawhie Road         | ➤ Keogh Road     | ➤ Kingi Road         |
| ➤ Lodore Road           | ➤ Lucas Road     | ➤ Mangapara Road     |
| ➤ Mangapupu Road        | ➤ McIntyres Road | ➤ Motukioire Road    |
| ➤ Mountain Road         | ➤ Mudgway Road   | ➤ Newton Road        |
| ➤ Oromohoe Road         | ➤ Otatau Road    | ➤ Perry Road         |
| ➤ Pokas Road            | ➤ Pukewhao Road  | ➤ Purerua Road       |
| ➤ Ramsay Road           | ➤ Ranui Road     | ➤ Renwick Road       |
| ➤ Signal Road           | ➤ Smith Road     | ➤ Taumatamakuku Road |
| ➤ Te Iringa Road        | ➤ Tipene Road    | ➤ Waikare Road       |
| ➤ Waikerikeri Ford Road | ➤ Wekaweka Road  |                      |



*Horahora Road / Motukioire Road*



## 11. PRE-SEAL REPAIRS

Pre-seal repairs are the repairs carried out before sealing takes place to ensure the best outcome, smoothest ride and longevity of the new seal. We have completed several repairs so far including edge breaks, high and low shoulders and stabilised patches. The hoe has just gone into the ground on the last day of the month on Waiare Road which is the first area of focus for our Stabilised patches.



*Waiare Road*





*Dave and Shingy repairing sandbags to hold TTM signs in place*

## 12. REHABILITATIONS AND RESURFACING

As we are still in the off season for these activities, design, planning and enabling work are being carried out. Its looking Like Rangiahua Road will be the first rehab of the 24/25season, set to start early October!

## 13. ROAD ACCIDENT REPORT

No accidents to report.

## 14. RAMM ISSUES



No issues in September 24 – Any development & minor operational events of note are being recorded to provide feedback to Thinkproject each month.



## 15. CUSTOMER SERVICE ISSUES / COMPLAINTS

### Ventia Customer Service Request Comparison, July to September 2024

Number of RFS's

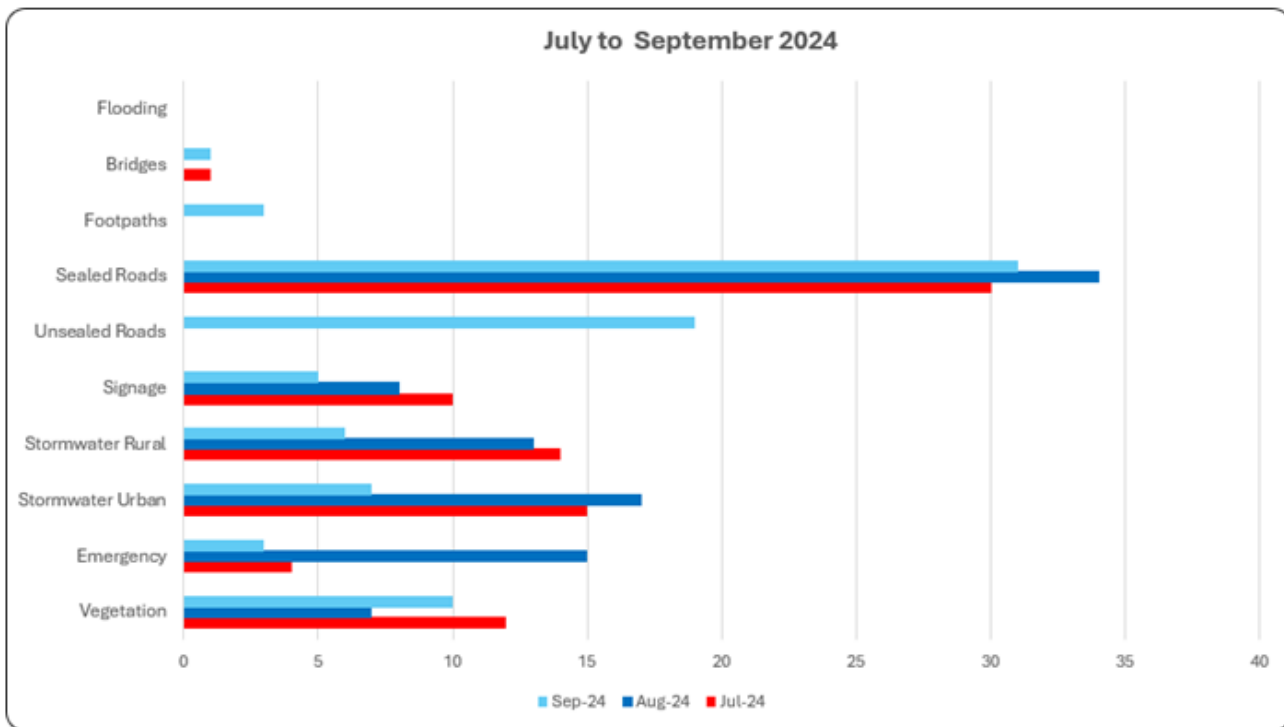
Month	Vegetation	Emergency	Stormwater Urban	Stormwater Rural	Signage	Unsealed Roads	Sealed Roads	Footpaths	Bridges	Flooding	Total
Jul-24	12	4	15	14	10		30		1	0	86
Aug-24	7	15	17	13	8		34		0	0	94
Sep-24	10	3	7	6	5	19	31	3	1	0	85

TBC

Percentage of RFS's

Month	Vegetation	Tree Down /Slip	Stormwater Urban	Stormwater Rural	Signage	Unsealed Roads	Sealed Roads	Footpaths	Bridges	Flooding	Total
Jul-24	14.0%	4.7%	17.4%	16.3%	11.6%	0.0%	34.9%	0.0%	1.2%	0.0%	100%
Aug-24	7.4%	16.0%	18.1%	13.8%	8.5%	0.0%	36.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100%
Sep-24	11.8%	3.5%	8.2%	7.1%	5.9%	22.4%	36.5%	3.5%	1.2%	0.0%	100%

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## 16. COMPLIMENTS

We received one compliment for the month of September:

Heather Louise Txt saying – “Thanks for the top up metal down the far end of Purerua Road.” – Purerua Road.





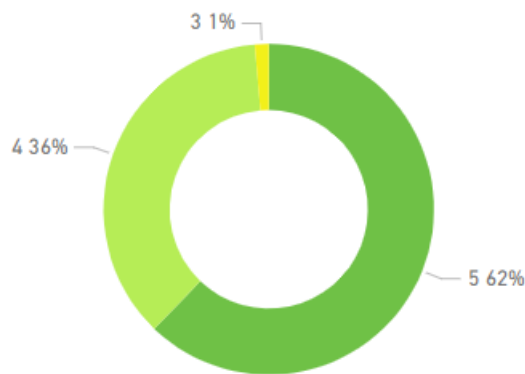
## 17. HEALTH & SAFETY & WELLBEING

In our Branch Toolbox held on 10th of September at the Kerikeri Sports Complex, we ran out a *Load Restraint Awareness Training* for all staff, a very relevant reminder to all operators of their responsibility to ensure that their load is always secure and not to rely on anyone else to secure their load.

### E Road

#### Star Rating Distribution

Star Rating ● 5 ● 4 ● 3



The Branch has had a 9% decrease in 5-star drivers in September, which has contributed to a 10% increase in 4-star drivers and a 2% decrease in 3-star drivers. This gives us an average of a 5 Star ranking.

## 18. TRAINING

We have taken the opportunity to refresh staff on the SWMS (Safe Work Method Statements), for our high-risk activities such as Working around & Operating Mobile Plant and Working Near Traffic, as part of preparing for the upcoming busy season.

We have also had two staff attain Class 2 Light Truck licences, a welcome addition to the broader team.

## 19. ENVIRONMENT

In September we had no notifiable incidents to report.



## 20. ANNUAL ROUTINE ACTIVITY ACHIEVEMENT

Routine and cyclic rounds start at the financial year (July 2024/25):

<b>Biennial Painting of All Rails</b>	<b>0%</b>	complete
<b>Biennial Parapet Painting of Bridges</b>	<b>0%</b>	complete
<b>Annual Cleaning of EMP's</b>	<b>0%</b>	complete
<b>Annual Sucking of All Sumps</b>	<b>0%</b>	complete
<b>Biannual sweeping</b>	<b>0%</b>	complete
<b>Urban Vegetation Spraying</b>	<b>0%</b>	complete
<b>Rural Vegetation Spraying</b>	<b>0%</b>	complete
<b>Line marking Network Remark</b>	<b>0%</b>	complete

## 21. SMALL TO MEDIUM ENTERPRISE (SME) BUSINESS ENGAGEMENT

Summary of SME engagement through the last financial year - 1<sup>st</sup> July 23 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 24.

<b>Measurement</b>	<b>Qty</b>
Local Contractor component of work	38%



## 22. OTHER WORK IN PROGRESS

### ***Russell Boat Ramp***

The Russell Boat Ramp/Car Park had the line marking completed on the 15<sup>th</sup> Sep, which wraps up the project. Line marking was also completed at the local St Johns carpark the same day which helps with direction on site.



## ***BOI-Whangaroa Speed Management***

The BOI Speed Management Project South was completed in August, and we started on the North Extension (Whangaroa/Kaeo Sites) which should be go live before the end of October.

As of the end of September the team has installed:

- 629 Speed Limit Signs
- 20 Giveway Sigs
- 19 Kura School Signs
- 10 x Threshold Sign(1200x2000mm)
- 8 x Speed Limit Sign
- 4 School Electronic Signs



*Purerua Road / Whangaroa Road*



## 23. OUR PEOPLE

***A section to showcase our staff and introduce the people on the ground who do a fantastic job of keeping our network safe and in top shape! Our staff are all locals who are passionate about roading, each possessing their own set of skills and bringing something different to the table.***

This month, I would like to introduce our sealed patrol crew, Kahu, Peter and Tania. Each day they travel different areas of our network, diligently keeping the sealed roads safe and free of debris. Beyond their core responsibilities, they bring a high level of resourcefulness to their work. Their skill set allows them to tackle multiple jobs, including:

- Pothole repair
- Tree/vegetation removal
- Detritus sweeping
- Footpath vegetation clearing
- Vegetation window maintenance
- Edge marker installation
- Grate clearing
- Edge breaks

The crew is passionate about the roading network and keeping the public safe is their number one priority. They also attend a lot of after hours call outs for trees, spills, debris etc. Their versatility and proficiency prove them as critical assets to our team, playing a vital role in enhancing the safety and visual appeal of our network.



*Kahu, Peter, Tania – Sealed Patrol*





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